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WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US TODAY.

We welcome all visitors this morning to our service of Word and Sacrament. ALL are invited to receive the bread and the wine. Please know that at CELC this common meal is for all who feel moved to receive. This sacrament is God's gift to all, and is not tied to membership, doctrine or creed.

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

January 16, 2022

9:00am

-Service of Word and Sacrament-

The Gathering

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP: PSALM 36:5-10

⁵Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens,
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

⁶Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep;
you save humankind and animals, O Lord.

⁷How priceless is your love, O God!
All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

⁸They feast upon the abundance of your house;
you give them drink from the river of your delights.

⁹For with you is the well of life,
and in your light we see light.

¹⁰Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you,
and your favor to those who are true of heart.

GATHERING HYMN: ELW 531 "THE TRUMPET SOUND, THE ANGEL SING"



1 The trum - pets sound, the an - gels sing, the feast is
2 Ta - bles are la - den with good things; oh, taste the
3 The hun - gry heart he sat - is - fies, of - fers the



read - y to be - gin. The gates of heav'n are o - pen wide,
peace and joy he brings. He'll fill you up with love di - vine;
poor his par - a - dise. Now hear all heav'n and earth ap - plaud



and Je - sus wel - comes you in - side.
he'll turn your wa - ter in - to wine.
the a - maz - ing good - ness of the Lord.

Refrain



Sing with thank - ful - ness songs of pure de - light.
 Come and rev - el in heav - en's love and light.
 Take your place at the ta - ble of the King.
 The feast is read - y to be - gin;
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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
 who creates us,
 redeems us,
 and calls us by name. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

Most merciful God,
 we confess that we have sinned against you
 and your beloved children.

**We have turned our faces away from your glory
when it did not appear as we expected.**

**We have rejected your word
when it made us confront ourselves.**

**We have failed to show hospitality
to those you called us to welcome.**

**Accept our repentance for the things we have done
and the things we have left undone.**

For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

**Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe
in the glory of your Son born among us,
and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.**

Rejoice in this good news:

In ✠ Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven.

You are descendants of the Most High,
adopted into the household of Christ,
and inheritors of eternal life.

Live as freed and forgiven children of God. **Amen.**

HYMN RESPONSE: SETTING 4 (page 149) *"THIS IS THE FEAST"*

This is the feast of victory for our God, Alleluia

1. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.
Power and riches and wisdom and strength,
and honor and blessing and glory are his. (ref.)

2. Sing with all the people of God
and join in the hymn of all creation;
Blessing and honor and glory and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God,
for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
Al--leluia. Alle-luia.

PASTORAL GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

[Congregation is seated.]

The Word

FIRST READING: Isaiah 62:1-5

The people's return to Judah after the exile was marred by economic and political troubles. Nevertheless, the prophet declares, Jerusalem and Judah will be restored. God will rejoice over Jerusalem as a bridegroom rejoices over the bride, and the people are called to the celebration.

1 For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.

2 The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the Lord will give.

3 You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

4You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the Lord delights in you,
and your land shall be married.
5For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

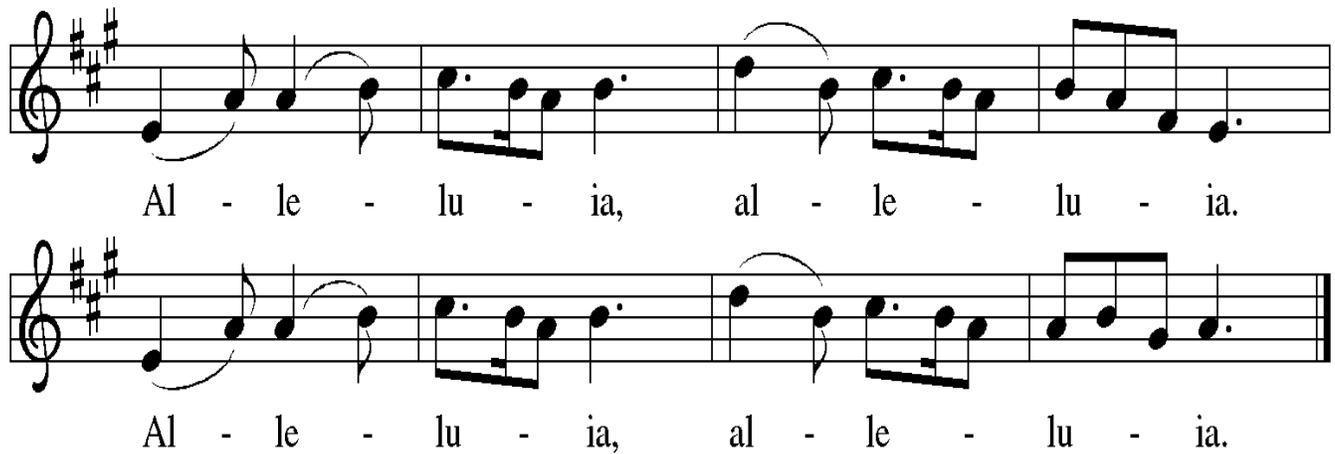
The congregation at Corinth experienced division as people were comparing their spiritual gifts, thinking some to be superior to others. Paul invites this fractured community to trust that God's Holy Spirit has gifted them all perfectly for their mission together.

1Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. 2You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. 3Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

4Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; 5and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; 6and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. 7To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 8To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, 9to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, 10to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Celtic Alleluia



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

Turning water to wine at the wedding at Cana is described as the first of Jesus' signs. Through many such epiphanies, Jesus reveals that he bears God's creative power and joyful presence into the world.

The holy gospel according to St. Luke, the 3rd chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

1On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. 2Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. 3When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." 4And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." 5His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." 6Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. 7Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. 8He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. 9When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom 10and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." 11Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

A God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Let us together affirm our faith.

I have faith in God — because of His great love for me.

I believe that He created me and all that I have. All things belong to Him.

I have faith in Jesus — because of His great love for me.

I believe that He died on a cross for my sin — conquered death and the power of evil — and was raised to life on the third day. His death is mine — His resurrection is mine — New life is mine because of His words and work

I have faith in the Holy Spirit — because of His great love for me.

I believe that the Holy Spirit is present here among us — and lives within each child of God. He continues to call people to Himself, and to build up the church of Christ. Through Him I have power to stand in strength against all adversity.

I believe that Jesus is coming again to unite all believers for all eternity. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

A brief silence.

By your Spirit, activate within your church gifts of faith, healing, and prophecy. Unite those who profess your name across congregations, denominations, and geographic boundaries.

Open our hearts to recognize and celebrate surprising miracles. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Your creation reflects your generosity. Bless farmers, migrant farmworkers, orchard-keepers, ranchers, and all who tend the abundance of the land. Protect food and water sources from destruction, that all can eat and drink and be satisfied. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

By your Spirit, grant wisdom, knowledge, and discernment to those who hold leadership positions at any level. Direct policymakers toward compassionate decisions that build up safe and just communities. Lead all authorities in seeking and serving the common good. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

As Jesus provided generously in a moment of need, provide generous gifts of healing for those in need this day (*especially*). Provide abundantly for all who are hungry or thirsty, all seeking shelter, and all who seek peace. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

You see us for who we are and you delight in us. Embrace those struggling with self-worth, wrestling with self-identity, or facing significant life transition. Remind us that nothing can separate us from your love. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

You bless us through the spiritual gifts of the saints who have gone before us. We give thanks for the life of Martin Luther King Jr. and all who have modeled the way of courageous faith. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

P: Rejoicing in your Word made flesh among us, we commend these prayers to you, confident of your grace and love made known to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

P: And because you are one with us, O Christ, enable us to share your life with the world by sharing our own lives with the world. And so we pray, in the words you have taught us:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Meal

OFFERTORY / OFFERTORY MUSIC

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A

Let us pray.

**Blessed are you, O God,
Sovereign of the universe.**

**You offer us new beginnings
and guide us on our journey.**

Lead us to your table,

nourish us with this heavenly food,
and prepare us to carry your love
to a hungry world,
in the name of Christ our light. Amen.

[THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE]

P In the night in which he was betrayed...

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks...

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup
we remember your Word dwelling among us,
full of grace and truth.

We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.

We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit.

Come among us.

Bless this meal.

May your Word take flesh in us.

Awaken your people.

Fill us with your light.

Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours,

Holy One of Israel,

Word of God incarnate,

Power of the Most High,

one God, now and forever.

Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to God's table.

There is a place for you and enough for all.

Amen.

LAMB OF GOD (setting no.4 page 154)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
gave mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
Grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMNS: ELW 483 *"HERE IS BREAD"*



1. Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, He is with us.
2. Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, He is with us.
3. Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, He is with us.



Break the bread, drink the wine, Christ is with us
Know His grace, find His peace, feast on Je - sus
We'll pro-claim, 'til He comes, Je - sus cru - ci



here. In this bread there is heal - ing, in this cup there's
fied.



life for - ev - er. In this mo - ment, by the Spir - it,

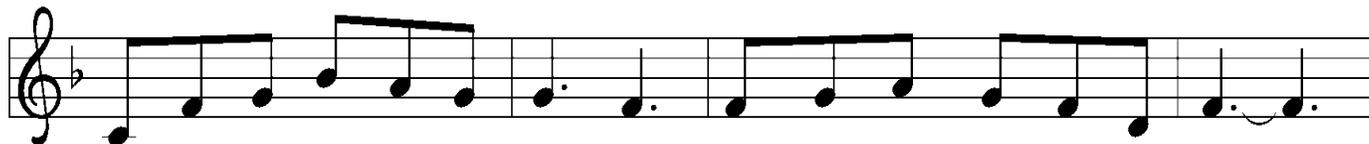


Christ is with us here.

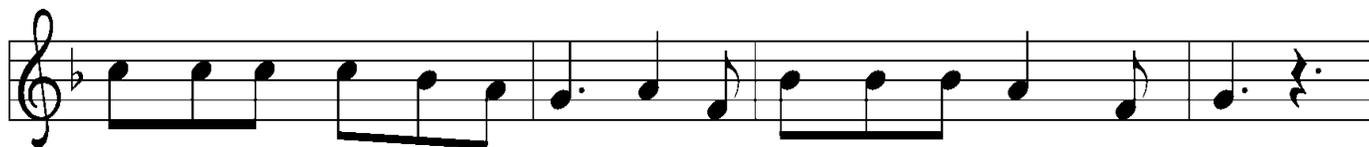
ELW 481 "COME TO THE TABLE"



Come to the ta - ble of mer - cy, pre - pared with the wine and the bread.



All who are hun - gry and thirst - y, come, and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re - ceive from his nail - scarred hand.



Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

PASTORAL BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray,

We give you thanks, gracious God,

for we have feasted on the abundance of your house.

Send us to bring good news

and to proclaim your favor to all,

strengthened with the richness of your grace

in your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Sending

BENEDICTION:

P God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness,
who rejoices over you,
and who calls you by name,
✠ bless your going out and your coming in,
today and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG: ELW 878 *“SOLI DEO GLORIA” (NEXT PAGE)*

DISMISSAL:

P Being gift driven and Spirit-led...
We go remembering that we are a Christian fellowship reaching out to all people so they might know God’s love for them.

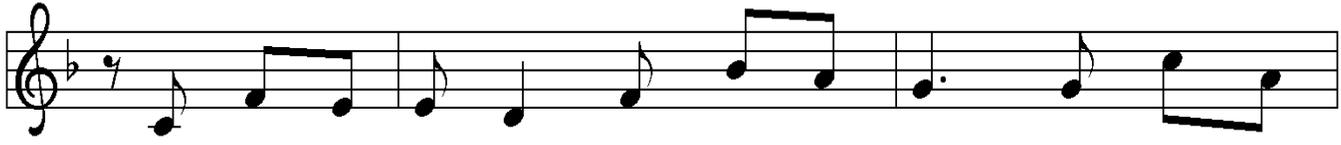
Go with Christ into a weary world.
Share the good news.
Thanks be to God.

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1 O God of bless - ings, all praise to you! Your love sur -
 2 All praise for proph - ets, through grace in - spired to preach and
 3 All praise for mu - sic, deep gift pro - found, through hands and
 4 All praise for Je - sus, best gift di - vine through word and
 5 A bil - lion voic - es in one great song, now soft and



rounds us our whole life through. You are the
 wit - ness with hearts on fire. Your Spir - it
 voic - es in ho - ly sound; the psalms of
 wit - ness, in bread and wine; in - car - nate
 gen - tle, now deep and strong, in ev - 'ry



free - dom of those op - pressed; you are the com - fort of all dis -
 choos - es the weak and small to sing the new reign where might - y
 Da - vid, and Mar - y's praise, in word - less splen - dor and lyr - ic
 love song of bound - less grace, priest, teach - er, proph - et in time and
 cul - ture and style and key, from hill and val - ley, with sky and



tressed. Come now, O ho - ly and wel - come guest:
 fall; with them may we live your gos - pel call:
 phrase, with all cre - a - tion one song we raise:
 space, your stead - fast kind - ness with hu - man face:
 sea, with Christ we praise you e - ter - nal - ly:



So - li De - o glo - ri - a! So - li De - o glo - ri - a!